

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Lamb, did you wish to close?

SENATOR LAMB: No closing on the bill, Mr. President.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The question is the advancement of LB 671. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Senator Lamb. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 1 nay, Mr. President, on motion to advance the bill.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The bill is advanced. May I please introduce some guests of Senator Hoagland under the south balcony, Mr. and Mrs. John Guinan, John and Judy and their son, Dan, from Omaha. Would you please welcome them to the Legislature? (Applause.) Thank you. Move on to LB 970. We're going to pass over 807; it'll show in the Journal as passed over. Going to 970.

CLERK: Mr. President, 970 is a bill introduced by Senators Lundy, Vickers, Scofield, Kahle, Remmers, Hefner, Von Minden, Kilgarin, Howard Peterson, Vard Johnson, Chronister, Barrett, Rod Johnson, Clark, Carsten, and Haberman. (Read title.) The bill was read on January 11 of this year. It was referred to the Education Committee for public hearing. The bill was advanced to General File, Mr. President. There are Education Committee amendments pending.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Vickers, did you wish to address this? We're on the committee amendments to 970, Senator Vickers.

SENATOR VICKERS: Well, Mr. President, members, the committee amendments to LB 970 restrict the bill to only the business administration, NBA Program and remove the parts of the bill that would have granted the authority to the state colleges to have other masters programs particularly at the Kearney campus. So it does restrict the end result of LB 970 to only NBA and that is the committee amendments and I would urge its adoption, Mr. President.